

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1 to 57 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please add new Claims 58 to 87 to read as follows.

Claims 1 to 57 (Cancelled).

58. (New) A controller for controlling a video camera in accordance with designations input from a client, said controller comprising:

an input unit that inputs designations from the client; and

a control unit that controls the video camera in accordance with the designations from the client;

wherein, in a case where the designations include a predetermined plurality commands for the same operation, said control unit does not control the video camera in accordance with all of the predetermined plurality of commands.

59. (New) A controller according to Claim 58, wherein, in a case where the designations include a predetermined plurality of commands for the same operation, said control unit controls the video camera in accordance with the latest command of the predetermined plurality of commands.

60. (New) A controller according to Claim 58, wherein the predetermined plurality of commands are pan, tilt, or zoom commands of the video camera.

61. (New) A controller according to Claim 58, further comprising:  
a transmitting unit that transmits to other clients, in accordance with the designations, control information of the video camera.

62. (New) A controller according to Claim 58, wherein said controller is a camera server connected with the client via a network.

63. (New) A method of controlling a video camera in accordance with designations input from a client, said method comprising the steps of:  
inputting the designations from the client; and  
controlling the video camera in accordance with the designations from the client,  
wherein, in a case where the designations include a predetermined plurality of commands for the same operation, said control step does not control the video camera in accordance with all of the predetermined plurality of commands.

64. (New) A method according to Claim 63, wherein, in a case where the designations include a predetermined plurality of commands for the same operation, said control step includes controlling the video camera in accordance with the latest command of the predetermined plurality of commands.

65. (New) A method according to Claim 63, wherein the predetermined plurality of command are pan tilt, or zoom commands of the video camera.

66. (New) A method according to Claim 63, further comprising:  
a transmitting step of transmitting to another client, in accordance with the designations, control information of the video camera.

67. (New) A method according to Claim 63, wherein said control step includes controlling the video camera with a camera server connected with the client via a network.

68. (New) A computer readable storage medium for storing programs executed by a controller to control a video camera in accordance with designations input from a client, the programs including:

a program for inputting designations from the client; and

a program for controlling the video camera in accordance with the designations from the client;

wherein, in a case where the designations include a predetermined plurality of commands for the same operation, the program for controlling the video camera does not control the video camera in accordance with all of the predetermined plurality of commands.

69. (New) A computer storage medium according to Claim 68, wherein, in a case where the designations include a predetermined plurality of commands for the same operation, the program controls the video camera in accordance with the latest command of the predetermined plurality of commands.

70. (New) A computer-readable storage medium according to Claim 68, wherein the predetermined plurality of commands are pan, tilt, or zoom commands of the video camera.

71. (New) A computer-readable storage medium according to Claim 68, the program further comprising a transmitting step of transmitting control information of the video camera, in accordance with the designations, to another client.

72. (New) A computer-readable storage medium according to Claim 68, wherein the controller is a camera server connected with the client via a network.

73. (New) A controller for controlling a video camera in accordance with designations input from a client, said controller comprising:

an input unit that inputs designations from the client; and

a transmitting unit that transmits image signals of the video camera, which are displayed at the client in accordance with the designations to the client,

wherein, in a case where the designations include a predetermined plurality of commands for the same operation, said transmitting unit does not transmit all of the image signals in accordance with the predetermined plurality of commands to the client.

74. (New) A controller according to Claim 73, wherein, in a case where the designations include a predetermined plurality of commands for the same operation, said transmitting unit transmits the image signals in accordance with the latest command of the predetermined plurality of commands to the client.

75. (New) A controller according to Claim 73, further comprising:  
a control unit that controls the video camera in accordance with the  
designations from the client,  
wherein said transmitting unit transmits the image signals of the video  
camera controlled by said control unit.

76. (New) A controller according to Claim 75, wherein the  
predetermined plurality of commands are pan, tilt, or zoom commands of the video camera.

77. (New) A controller according to Claim 73, wherein said controller  
is a camera server connected with said client via a network.

78. (New) A method of controlling a video camera in accordance with  
designations input from a client, said method comprising the steps of:  
inputting the designations from the client; and  
transmitting image signals of the video camera which are displayed at the  
client in accordance with the designations to the client,  
wherein, in a case where the designations include a predetermined plurality  
of commands for the same operation, said transmitting step does not transmit all of the  
image signals in accordance with the predetermined plurality of commands to the client.

79. (New) A method according to Claim 78, wherein, in a case where  
the designations include a predetermined plurality of commands for the same operation,  
said transmitting step transmits the image signals in accordance with a latest command of  
the predetermined plurality of commands to the client.

80. (New) A method according to Claim 78, further comprising:  
a control step of controlling the video camera in accordance with the designations from the client,  
wherein said transmitting step transmits the image signals of the video camera controlled in said control step.

81. (New) A method according to Claim 80, wherein the predetermined plurality of commands are pan, tilt or zoom commands of the video camera.

82. (New) A method according to Claim 78, wherein the controller is a camera server connected with the client via a network.

83. (New) A computer-readable storage medium for storing programs executed by a controller to control a video camera in accordance with designations input from a client, said programs including:

a program for inputting the designations from the client; and  
a program for transmitting image signals of the video camera which are displayed at the client in accordance with the designations to the client,  
wherein, in a case where the designations include a predetermined plurality of commands for the same operation, said program for transmitting does not transmit all of the image signals in accordance with the predetermined plurality of commands to the client.

84. (New) A computer-readable storage medium according to Claim 83, wherein, in a case where the designations include a predetermined plurality of commands for the same operation, said program for transmitting image signals transmits the image

signals in accordance with the latest command of the predetermined plurality of commands to the client.

85. (New) A computer-readable storage medium according to Claim 83, further comprising:

a program for controlling the video camera in accordance with the designations from the client,

wherein said program for the transmitting step transmits the image signals of the video camera controlled in said program for controlling the video camera.

86. (New) A computer-readable storage medium according to Claim 85, wherein the predetermined plurality of commands are pan, tilt, or zoom commands of the video camera.

87. (New) A controller according to Claim 83, wherein the controller is a camera server connected with the client via a network.